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METHODS FOR PURIFYING DNA USING IMMOBILIZED CAPTURE PROBES

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[X] was filed on February 26, 1999 as United States Application
Number or PCT International Application No. 09/259,467
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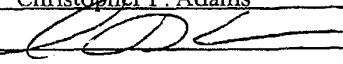
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